

REMARKS:

Examiner's allowance of claims 3/4, 4, (5,6,8,9)/3/4, 10-16, and the indication of the allowable subject matter of claims 2, 7, (3,5,6,8,9)/2,7) is acknowledged with appreciation.

Claim 1 was previously cancelled.

Claims 2 and 7 have been amended according to Examiner's suggestion thereby remedying the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112.

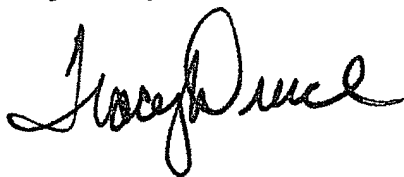
It is believed by applicant that all claims are now in order for allowance.

The undersigned representative requests any extension of time that may be deemed necessary to further the prosecution of this application.

The undersigned representative authorizes the Commissioner to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 or 1.17 that may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 14-1437, Order No. 7589.124.PCUS00.

In order to facilitate the resolution of any issues or questions presented by this paper, the Examiner should directly contact the undersigned by phone to further the discussion.

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